Exemption No. 4296I Regulatory Docket No. FAA–2001–8754

Ms. Karen L.E. Wing Corporate Administrator Everts Air Fuel, Inc. P.O. Box 60908 Fairbanks, AK 99706

Dear Ms. Wing:

This is in response to your February 6, 2002, letter and undated supplemental information petitioning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of Everts Air Fuel, Inc. (EAF), for an amendment to Exemption No. 4296, as amended. That exemption from § 91.9(a) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) permits EAF to operate its McDonnell Douglas DC–6 (DC–6) aircraft (registration Nos. N451CE and N4390F) at a 5-percent-increased zero fuel weight and landing weight for operating all-cargo aircraft to provide supplies to people in isolated villages in Alaska. The amendment you request would add three DC–6 aircraft (registration Nos. N251CE, N444CE, and N888DG) to the list of aircraft operated under the authority of the exemption. You also request that DC–6 aircraft registration No. N4390F be removed from that list of aircraft operated under the authority of the exemption.

In your petition, you indicate that the conditions and reasons regarding public interest and safety, presented in the original petition upon which the exemption was granted, remain unchanged.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested amendment to the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to EAF.

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 4296, as amended, remains valid with respect to this exemption.

In consideration of the foregoing, I find that a grant of exemption is in the public interest. Therefore, pursuant to the authority contained in 49 U.S.C. §§ 40113 and 44701, delegated to me by the Administrator, Exemption No. 4296, as amended, is hereby further amended by revising the list of aircraft in condition No. 1 to permit EAF to operate four DC–6 aircraft (registration Nos. N251CE, N444CE, N451CE, and N888DG) under the authority of the exemption.

All other conditions and limitations of Exemption No. 4296, as amended, remain the same. The exemption expires June 30, 2003. This letter shall be attached to, and is a part of, Exemption No. 4296.

Sincerely,

/s/ Louis C. Cusimano Acting Director, Flight Standards Service